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Dept has been informed that DOD has commissioned Institute for Defense Analysis (non-profit agency that performs technical and other studies on security matters) to investigate implications for US policy in acquisition nuclear weapons by Chicom (Project PACIFICA). Dept and CIA are interested in this study along with DOD, inasmuch as endeavor will be to synthesize political, military, economic, scientific, intelligence and psychological aspects of problem.

Party of three IDA researchers, composed of Brig. Gen. S.F. Giffin, USAF (Ret), Dr. Harold C. Hinton (China specialist), and Dr. Donald B. Keesing (economist), will visit your post as indicated on itineraries transmitted to a DOD addressee at your post. (General Giffin alone is scheduled visit New Delhi.) Dept understands hotel reservations being handled separately, and that US military commands and agencies (latter term includes service attachés) at recipient posts are being requested furnish certain appropriate administrative support. DOD is requesting that party be given opportunity discuss their problem, especially in its local aspects, with appropriate members of agency at your post receiving DOD message, and with other American and indigenous residents whose views might be helpful. All three visitors cleared by DOD for Top Secret information. Under circumstances will be appropriate for Chief of Mission, in his discretion, discuss with visitors questions related to their inquiry which may

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Chief, or designate Foreign Service Officer do this his behalf.

Group members will be acquainted with reporting respective posts in response Dept's CG 238 and/or 999.

Group members understand contact with local nationals to be undertaken only with approval Chief of Mission.

If you perceive objection to visit by group to country your accreditation, inform Dept promptly so that adjustment itineraries may be made.

Mission should refer to message which will be received by local agency of DOD on this subject, in order to familiarize itself with other particulars related to visit and study. DOD addressees have been directed furnish copies to Chiefs of Mission.

There follows list DOD message addressees at posts where Embassy or Consulate General will receive this message.

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